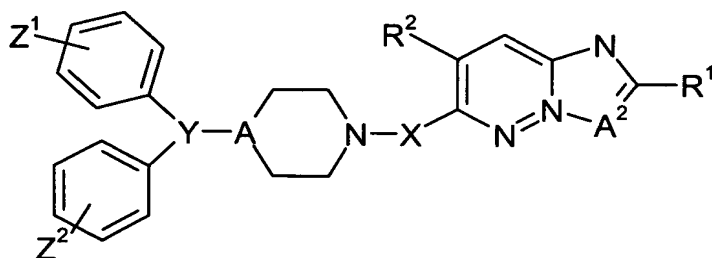


Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A method for the treatment of dry eye ~~and other disorders requiring the wetting of the eye~~ which comprises topically administering to the eye of a mammal a composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound formula (I)



(I)

wherein:

Z¹, Z² independently = H, F, Br, Cl, F, or C₁₋₃ alkyl;

Y = CH-(CH₂)_n or CH-O;

n = 0-3;

A = CH or N, provided that when Y = CH-O then A = CH;

A² = CH or N;

X = (CH₂)_nY² or (CH₂)_nY³(CH₂)_nY²;

X² = H, OR⁵, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C(O)OR⁶, or C(O)N(R⁷)H;

n' = 2-6;

n'' = 2-4;

Y² = O, S, or NH

Y³ = O or S;

R¹ = H, or (C(R³)(R⁴))X²; and

R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, R⁷ independently = H or C₁₋₆ alkyl.

2. (original) The method of Claim 1 wherein

Z¹, Z² = H;

Y = CH-O;

A = CH;

X = (CH₂)_nY²;

X² = H or C(O)OR⁶;

n' = 2-4;

Y² = O or NH; and

R², R³, R⁴, R⁶ independently = H or C₁₋₄ alkyl.

3. (original) The method of Claim 2 wherein

A² = CH;

R¹ = (C(R³)(R⁴))X²

R², R⁶ independently = H or C₁₋₄ alkyl; and

R³, R⁴ independently = H or methyl.

4. (original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from the group consisting of

6-[3-[4-(diphenylmethoxy)piperidino]propylamino][1,2,4]triazolol[1,5,b]-pyridazine;

6-[3-[4-(diphenylmethoxy)piperidino]propylamino]-2-methyl[1,2,4]-triazolo[1,5,b]pyridazine;

2-[6-[3-[4-(diphenylmethoxy)piperidino]propylamino]imidazo[1,2,b]-pyridazin-2-yl]-2-methylpropionic acid;

2-[6-[3-[4-(diphenylmethoxy)piperidino]propylamino]imidazo[1,2,b]-pyridazin-2-yl]-2-methylpropionic acid dihydrate; and

2-[6-[3-[4-(diphenylmethoxy)piperidino]propoxy]imidazo[1,2,b]pyridazin-2-yl]-2-methylpropionic acid.

5. (original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the pharmaceutically effective amount of the compound of formula (I) in the composition is 0.001 – 1.0% (w/w).

6. (currently amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein the dry eye and other disorders requiring the wetting of the eye is symptoms of dry eye associated with refractive surgery.